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Arrival of the "Cortes."

LATER FROM THE SEAT OF WAR.

MORE SUCCESSES!

The Mason-Slidell Case.

THE WAR FEVER SUBSIDING.

Return of Gen. Scott to the U. S.

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

The steamship Cortes arrived at Esquimalt yesterday morning at 7 o'clock from San Francisco via Portland, bringing States dates to the 23d, and California papers to the 31st. The news is interesting.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 19. The President and Cabinet have held a conference at Washington, upon the subject of the threatened difficulties with England, and say that there must be no war.

The rebels in Missouri under command of Gen. Price, are in full retreat, closely pursued by the Federal army under Gen. Pope.

Gen. Pope has captured Price's baggage train, and made one hundred and twenty-five prisoners.

Cevajoval had attacked Martaloras. There was a great battle, with heavy slaughter. Both parties claim the victory. [This is incomprehensible.]

Sensation despatches from Washington are published in the New York papers, stating that a rumor was prevalent that Mason and Slidell would be delivered up. These have been contradicted by high authority.

The Richmond and Norfolk papers of Dec. 15, received at Washington, chronicle the receipt of intelligence from England in reference to Mason and Slidell, which had produced intense excitement with the Southern people.

The Secretary of the Treasury is in New York on a financial visit.

QUINCY, Dec. 20. In Congress yesterday, the House resolved dis- cussion on the bill authorizing the immediate construction of twenty iron-clad gun-boats, which

In the Senate Mr. Wade presented a petition from the citizens of Ohio, asking that John C. Fremont be appointed Lieutenant General. No action was taken thereon.

Despatches received at St. Louis from General Pope, state that after a forced march, on the 18th, he got between the enemy, Gen. Johnson being encamped near Chicago, with a force, 2,200 strong; but, as soon as they heard of his approach, the rebels beat a rapid retreat towards Rose Hill, leaving all their baggage, arms, munitions, etc., in Gen. Pope's possession. Gen. Pope then threw forward ten companies of cavalry, with a section of artillery, in pursuit, following with the main body of his army to Johnson, Bates county. The rebels were so closely pursued that they scattered in all directions.

Gen. Pope forced a body of cavalry through to within 15 miles of Osceola, where Price has it, is said, 8,000 troops, and captured 150 of the rebels, with their baggage and horses. Other rebels were also taken in squads of from 10 to 15, making an aggregate of 300 prisoners.

George S. Fisher of San Francisco, has been appointed U. S. Vice-Consul at Kanagawa, Japan, vice Dorr. Salary \$3000 per annum.

Captain Robert Hale of San Francisco, has been appointed U. S. Consul at Manzanillo, Mexico, vice A. Garril.

QUINCY, Dec. 21. Despatches from Washington give cheering news.

Private letters received from distinguished English statesmen, and other prominent individuals, give every assurance that it is foreign to the interests of the English Government to make any demand for the release of Mason and Slidell, but it is probable that they will ask for such explanation as the United States Government can honorably grant.

The Federal troops now occupy Beaufort, S. C., and are fortifying themselves.

The steamship Atlantic has arrived at New York from Port Royal, with 12,000 pounds of Sea Island cotton. Over 100,000 pounds Sea Island cotton had been secured previous to the departure of the Atlantic.

Yesterday, Col. Jeff. C. Davis and Major Marshall's commands surprised the rebel camp at Warrensburg, Mo., and captured 1,300 prisoners, including 3 colonels, 17 captains, 1,000 stand of arms, 1,000 horses, and full camp equipage. Our loss was but two killed and 8 wounded.

QUINCY, Dec. 21. The despatches of the British Minister, received at Washington, are reported to be more sensible and moderate than the representations of the British press would lead to the belief. Nothing permanent or imperative is addressed to our Government, and no difficulty presented to their view but which can and will be settled by diplomacy.

QUINCY, Dec. 21. General Burnside's expedition, consisting of ten regiments, is at Annapolis and ready to go South.

In the House yesterday, Julian of Indiana, offered a resolution that the Fugitive Slave law be so amended as to forbid the reapture or return of any fugitive from labor, without proof that the claimant is loyal. After much discussion the resolution passed.

The capture of 1,300 rebels at Warrensburg, Mo., by Col. Jeff. C. Davis, is regarded as the most brilliant exploit of the war.

Major Hubbard of the 1st Missouri cavalry captured over 60 rebels, a day or two since, together with a large amount of baggage.

Gen. Pope and his assistants are determined to rid Missouri of rebels. A battle between Pope's army and Price's is expected every day.

George W. Jones, ex-Minister to Bogota, was arrested at New York yesterday, by order of Secretary Seward, and sent to Fort Lafayette.

A great negro insurrection is reported in Mississippi, and an immense amount of property destroyed—\$150,000 on the Quitman estate alone.

The New York Herald has the following Washington despatch dated the 20th: Gen. Ord started on a foraging expedition this morning, with the 4th Regiment, Bucktail Rifles, Lieut. Col. Kann, and Easton's battery. Gen. McCall, thinking that they might be attacked, sent on after them two brigades; McCall and staff also followed. When Gen. Ord's command was near Drainsville, it was attacked by the enemy in ambush. A brisk engagement ensued. Easton's battery was planted alongside the Thornton House, and poured terrible volleys into the enemy. Gen. McCall came on the ground and conducted the battle. It continued an hour, when the enemy finding our fire too hot for them, retreated in the direction of Fairfax, leaving a large number of dead and wounded on the field. Our troops pursued for a short distance and picked up the wounded and prisoners. Gen. Ord captured a large amount of arms, clothing, etc., which the enemy left behind. Their loss is estimated at 150 killed and wounded. Our loss is six killed and eight wounded. Among the rebels killed was Col. Thiller, of Kentucky. Their force consisted of three regiments of infantry, a company of cavalry, and battery—all under acting Brigadier-General John H. Fordy, of Alabama. At 9 p.m. our troops returned with 30 wagon loads of forage.

QUINCY, Dec. 23.

Later news has been received from Europe. The question of the arrest of Mason and Slidell on board the Trent continued to excite the public press.

Large 100 pound Armstrong guns were being distributed among the ships preparing for sea. This is to be regarded as a precautionary measure against Mexico in privateers, rather than a consequence of any apprehension of a rupture with the United States.

A great Irish mass meeting was held in Dublin to consider affairs between Great Britain and America. Feeling ran high in favor of sustaining the cause of the United States.

France will do nothing to irritate Great Britain.

The Philadelphia Enquirer has despatches from Baltimore saying that Fort Pickens had opened fire on Fort McRae three times since the 22d Nov.—with what effect is not stated.

QUINCY, Dec. 23.

The Tribune's dispatch from Washington says Lord Lyons has made his first official communication [in relation to the Mason and Slidell affair, we presume] to the Secretary of State. The contents are not known.

There has been a rupture at Richmond between Gen. Wise and Jeff. Davis. Wise will probably resign, and O. J. Wise (editor of the Richmond Enquirer) will oppose Jeff. Davis' administration in his paper.

Government has received intelligence that Gen. Scott will immediately return. He will undoubtedly bring important news.

Gen. Halleck has issued orders making death the penalty for cutting down telegraph wires or injuring railroad bridges. Secessionists and their slaves will be required to repair all damages done on railroads, etc., where they live.

A fire occurred yesterday in New York. Hayman & Co.'s drug store, No. 161 Broadway, was burned down. Loss, \$50,000.

Garret Davis, Senator from Kentucky, (elected to fill the vacancy occasioned by the expulsion of Breckinridge) took his seat to-day.

QUINCY, Dec. 24.

In the House yesterday, Wilson's resolution was passed, prohibiting U. S. officers from using any of their force for the purpose of returning fugitive slaves.

Morrill reported a bill increasing the duties on tea, coffee and sugar. The proposed increase will yield a revenue of \$8,000,000, should importations be the same as in 1860.

Fenton introduced a bill granting lands for a railroad from the Missouri River to San Francisco.

The steamship George Law, from Aspinwall on the 16th, has arrived.

The French transport ship Resource, bound to Callao, was wrecked 40 miles south of Valparaiso. She had 600 souls on board, five or six only of whom were saved.

A despatch to the New York Post gives a rumor that the Cabinet have resolved to release Mason and Slidell, and that an order has gone out to ship them to Halifax. The Post does not believe it.

A private despatch received last night states Gen. Halleck has ordered the Secessionists to repair the damaged portion of the North Missouri Railroad. Forty bridge burners have been arrested and have probably been shot.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 23.

Lieutenant-General Scott has returned from Europe on the steamer Arago, just arrived.

Orders have been issued from Washington not to permit any American steamer to depart for Europe.

Henry Nathan, No 9 Wharf street,

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Tuesday Morning, Jan. 7, 1862.

The News.

The unexpected arrival of the Cortes yesterday brings us a few days later news from the States and Europe. Great Britain had sent dispatches to the United States inquiring into the Mason-Slidell affair. What the exact nature of these dispatches were had not been disclosed. The tone attributed to them was not belligerent; but we observe that a late telegram conveys the idea that they included more than was at first supposed. We shall probably have to wait for the next steamer before we shall learn anything definite as to the demands or position of Great Britain on the Mason-Slidell affair. What looks very queer at this critical juncture is the embargo laid upon all American steamers by the Washington Government. They are prohibited from leaving any American port for Europe. Why Europe? Why so sudden an embargo? And why upon steamers and not upon sailing vessels? The embargo evidently has a deeper meaning than the civil war. Lincoln has not taken to embargoes heretofore to catch steamers to form Southern expeditions; and it cannot be supposed that he would adopt such a course at this late day,—more particularly as no necessity exists for it. England is menaced. That is the only conclusion; and the stoppage of American steamers may either be to prevent any intelligence reaching England from the States at the present juncture, or till such time as the Lincoln Cabinet have come to a decision on the Mason-Slidell affair,—or it may indicate the preparatory steps to a war with England, use for the steamers. It is certainly a very extraordinary embargo. The precipitate return of Gen. Scott from Europe is not wholly without meaning, and though attributed to his failing health, yet it is not likely that he would choose a December voyage across the Atlantic were there not some important international danger to prompt it. Nearly all, if not all, the Atlantic steamers carry mails to Europe; and nearly all are English vessels. An embargo affecting them would not only assume a very hostile character toward England, but it would actually violate the Postal Convention of 1848, between the United States and England, which allowed mail steamers to run during a war till six weeks after either nation notified the other of an intention to stop them. Coming immediately upon the heels of the Mason-Slidell question, the embargo looks like an authoritative attempt to force on a collision with Great Britain.

On the one hand Wilkes boards a mail steamer and takes whatever he wants; and when explanations are demanded from his government, the government stops Atlantic steamers from leaving any of its ports. Taking it altogether it is a very extraordinary piece of foreign policy. The only peaceful solution of the embargo news that we can imagine is that the telegram is a mistake. It has been customary to order mail steamers to stop a longer or shorter time as circumstances may demand in order to carry important dispatches. The embargo may then be only of a temporary nature—a matter of a day—twelve hours or thereabouts, and a thing that may occur in times of profound peace. Hence the telegram in its brevity may lead us to conclude that an act of hostility is intended. This explanation, however, is not all to our satisfaction, and we are inclined to the opinion that next advices will confirm the embargo.

The news in no way encourages us to believe that the Mason-Slidell affair will blow over very easily as Americans seem to imagine. The good feeling expressed by Lord Palmerston towards the United States at the Lord Mayor's Banquet on November 9th, before the Mason-Slidell affair was known in England, has evidently experienced a sudden change. The popular current in England we know has suddenly veered around; and the fact of dispatches about the Trent having been sent to Washington show that the Palmerston Cabinet do not think so lightly of the seizure as to pass it unnoticed; but on the contrary they regard it as a very grave offence indeed. What the magnitude of that offence in the eyes of the British Cabinet may be, we shall in all probability learn by the next steamer.

The general character of the news about the civil war is unimportant. The chief item we notice is the general tendency of the North to speculate upon a probable emancipation of the slaves as a war measure.

LEGAL OPINION OF EDWIN JAMES IN THE MASON-SLIDELL CASE.—Edwin James, the eminent English barrister who recently took up his residence at New York, has written a letter to the newspapers, giving his opinion on the question of the Mason and Slidell capture. He thinks the whole case in the English Cabinet will hinge on these two questions—first, whether the captain of the Trent was acquainted with the terms of her Majesty's proclamation; and, secondly, whether he was aware of the character of his two passengers (Mason and Slidell). Should these two questions be answered in the affirmative, the case, in the opinion of Mr. James, would be reduced to very narrow dimensions.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE THAT IN consequence of my wife, LUCINDA CHRISTOPHER, having left my house and board, I will not be accountable for any debts contracted by her from and after this date.

AUGUSTUS CHRISTOPHER
Johnson street, Jan. 6, 1862. Ja7 3t

NOTICE.

To Carpenters and Builders.

TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL FRIDAY, the 17th inst., for the Erection of a Dwelling House on the south side of James Bay. The drawing and specifications may be seen at the office of the undersigned.

The lowest tender will be accepted if otherwise satisfactory.

WRIGHT & SANDERS,
Architects,
Corner of Yates and Langley sts
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Resolutions.

At a meeting of the Board of Delegates of the Victoria Fire Department, held January 4th, 1862, the following Resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God, in his infinite wisdom, to remove from our midst our esteemed brother fireman, WILLIAM WALLS, a delegate to this Board from Union Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, and Treasurer of the Fire Department of this city, therefore be it Resolved:

1. That in the demise of our beloved associate and brother, the Fire Department has lost a worthy member, this Board a most efficient officer, and society one of its brightest ornaments.

2. That this Board, as the representatives of the Victoria Fire Department, deeply deplore the blow which has fallen so heavily on the members of the organization departing from the list of one who was among the earliest and most useful members of the organization, and who, by reason of his many distinguished and kind disposition and gentlemanly deportment, had endeared himself to all; and that, while humbly bowing to the stern decree of an inscrutable Providence, our hearts are filled with sorrow at the unexpected summons which has called our friend from earth.

3. That we deeply sympathize with the bereaved widow and other relatives of our late associate in their hour of trial, and trust and believe that He who hath said that "not even a sparrow falleth to the ground without His knowledge," will be with them and bring comfort to their grief-stricken hearts.

4. That this Board will attend the funeral of the deceased in a body, and that the various Fire Companies be respectfully invited to join with us in showing the last tribute of respect to our departed brother.

5. That copies of these resolutions be transmitted to the bereaved widow, to Capt. James M. Reid, the St. Andrew's Society, and to the Union Hook and Ladder Company; and that they be also published in the local papers.

DAVID W. HIGGINS,
President Victoria Fire Department.
JAMES S. PRUMMOND, Secretary. Ja7 1t

Resolutions.

At a Special Meeting of the St. Andrew's Society of Vancouver Island, held in their room, Victoria, this 4th day of January, 1862, it was Resolved—

1st. Seeing it has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst our brother, Mr. WILLIAM WALLS. Be it resolved, That this Society feel constrained to record this expression of sympathy with the widow and relations of the deceased for their irreparable loss, and trust that they may be divinely sustained under their affliction.

2d. That the Society does express its grief at the loss of one endeared to its members by his many amiable qualities and the devotedness with which he has, during two years, performed the arduous duties of Secretary to the Society.

3d. That the members of this Society wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

4th. That the above resolutions be transmitted to Mrs. Walls, and copies published in the local press, By order,

ALEXANDER MACKENZIE,
Secretary pro tem. Ja7

Dissolution of Copartnership.

THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing under the style of ROBERTSON & LAURION, Assayers, was this day dissolved by mutual consent.

J. M. ROBERTSON,
J. J. LAURION.

Victoria, January 1st, 1862.

All liabilities against the late firm will be paid by the undersigned, and all those indebted are requested to pay in the same.

J. M. ROBERTSON,
Assayer. Ja6 1m

WINTER EVENING LECTURES,

1861-2.

THE SEVENTH LECTURE OF THE series will be delivered by the Rev. Chas. T. Woods, in the Victoria Theatre, on TUESDAY, the 14th inst., at 8 o'clock, p. m.

Subject, "Modern Novelists." The eighth Lecture will be delivered by the Rev. J. Hall, on the 23rd inst. Subject, "British Civilization." Admission, 25 cents; private boxes, \$5.

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December 1st, 1861.

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THE BRITISH COLONIST

Tuesday Morning, Jan. 7, 1862.

European Intelligence.

By the Cortes we have details of news from Europe to Nov. 21st.

GERALD BRITAIN.

Commander Pegram, of the Nashville (which lately captured and burned to the water's edge the American ship Harvey Birch, on the high seas), denied being a privateer, and said that he had a commission for his vessel as a war steamer. The whole crew of the Harvey Birch, except the captain, were placed in irons till their arrival at Southampton. Exhortations were made to induce the captain and crew to take the oath to the Rebel Government. Capt. Pegram communicated with Mr. Yancey. The Nashville was to refit at Southampton.

It was reported that a large steamer had left London with a full cargo of munitions of war for Rebel States.

It was reported that several steamers had been insured in London for a run from England to New Orleans and back at 20 guineas; 30 guineas had been demanded for insurance on the North Briton.

The supposed privateer which had been seen in the Mediterranean proves to have been a lawful New York merchantman, and had arrived at Constantinople.

Mr. Russell, in his last letter to the London *Times*, asserts that President Lincoln and his Cabinet were not indisposed to a peaceful arbitration, and were probably considering the proposition of accepting or asking for the intervention of the great European potentates.

The London *Times* attributes the inactivity of the demand for cotton in India to lingering hesitation as to the American supply, but says that other circumstances have operated forcibly to such a result. The real cause of the present stagnation is not scarcity of cotton, but the absence of a demand for calico, the markets of the world being glutted with Lancashire goods. Manufacturers in curtailing operations are doing what they must have done sooner or later, irrespective of the stoppage of the American supply.

The Calcutta *Englishman* severely censures the Manchester manufacturers for doing nothing either to further the intended growth of cotton in India, or to take off the stocks on hand in up-country depots.

Florence Nightingale in a letter which has found its way into print, appears to entertain little hope of her own recovery.

The weather continued stormy around the English coast, and numerous disasters were reported.

The London *Observer* states that the British army estimates will be sensibly reduced.

The Rev. P. Lavelle has published a letter, denying that he attended the obsequies of McManus in the capacity of a priest, or that he officiated in any way at the funeral. He merely prayed for the dead, as any person might do. This letter, it was remarked, was strangely contrasted with a flaming appeal to the people of Ireland placarded a week before.

Staylor & Brothers, cotton spinners, of Wigan, who employ about 2500 hands, have just issued the following notice to their operatives: In consequence of the civil war in America and the blockade of the Southern ports, a supply of American cotton cannot for some time be anticipated. The stock of cotton which we have held has enabled us so far to keep our mills running full time. We now, however, think it right to inform you that, should American affairs remain in the same position in January next as at present, we shall be then under the necessity of closing our mills. We trust that your prudence and good sense will lead you to save what you can for the time when you may be out of employment.

FRANCE.

The French Senate would be convened on the 2d of December.

It was reported that a considerable reduction would be made in the military estimates and the number of troops in France. It was also asserted by the Paris *Constitutionnel* that Count Persigny had submitted to Napoleon a project for the disarmament of the French portion.

The Emperor Napoleon would visit Queen Victoria during the great exhibition.

The French ships forming the Mexican expedition were expected to assemble at Havana between the 15th and 20th of December.

It was calculated that the imperial deficit had reached 1,000,000,000 francs. The proposed change in the system of finance was not regarded as of much importance in England. The *Times*' city article says: It is not easy to see how the transfer from the Emperor to the people of the task of raising money will calm uneasiness and remove all pretext for hostile measures, when it is certain that the Emperor can resume his prerogative at any moment he may think fit.

The London *News* says: Will the Emperor be answerable for an abundance of employment when he can no longer create boundless expenditure by a stroke of his pen?

SPAIN.

There were rumors of impending changes among the high functionaries in administration, and that the powers of the several Ministers would be modified and the Ministry of State reorganized.

The Mexican expedition comprises 15 vessels 330 guns, 6000 sailors and 3000 troops.

The Madrid *Espana* says that a project was discussed of forming in America a colony of all republics of Spanish origin, with Spain at the head of it.

The address of the Cortes in response to the Queen's speech had been read. It approves of all the points of the speech.

The *Independence Belge* says Miramon had left Madrid for Mexico.

ITALY.

In the Italian Parliament, Ricasoli announced that he had elaborated upon a plan of reconciliation of the State and Church, which requested Napoleon to become mediator; but owing to little conciliatory disposition the mediation was without result. The project contained seven articles guaranteeing independence, inviolability, certain revenue and ecclesiastical rights to the Pope's cardinals.

It was asserted that the project of the Italian confederacy as by no means abandoned.

A modification of the Italian ministry was rumored, but nothing has been accomplished.

A levy of 80,000 men was ordered; but it was thought that not more than 50,000 would be levied in February. The effective army would then consist of 250,000 men.

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RUSSIA.

Navigation was closed at St. Petersburg. The last ships of the season were leaving Cronstadt.

15,000 Russian troops had attacked 10,000 mountaineers in Circassia. After fighting six hours it was thought that not more than 50,000 would be levied in February. The effective army would then consist of 250,000 men.

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A despatch from Warsaw of the 16th November says that the military were being continually insulted, and the martial law had been set at defiance by the people.

The Archbishop of Warsaw had been arrested because the churches were continually closed, and for having written a disrespectful letter to General Luder. The Archbishop's Administration was stopped by an order from St. Petersburg.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

Austria had quietly got together quite a powerful squadron—60 vessels in all.

The Portuguese Council of State had proclaimed the Duke of Oporto King of Portugal. The ministry was unchanged. Tranquility prevailed.

The new King had arrived at Lisbon, and been well received.

FUNERAL OF WILLIAM WALLS.—The remains of the late William Walls were yesterday followed to the grave by a large and respectable cortege of citizens. The Fire Department and the St. Andrew's Society turned out in full force to do honor to the memory of their deceased brother, and a number of other citizens also took part in the ceremonies. The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Dundas at Christ church, and were of a solemn and impressive nature. The reverend gentleman also read the service over the grave, and addressed a few cogent and well-timed remarks to the mourners. At the conclusion of the reverend gentleman's remarks, the last sad duty was performed and the mourners departed for their homes. The funeral was one of the largest ever held here, and nearly every class was represented—showing the high respect in which the deceased gentleman was held by the community.

NANAIMO.—A man named Ritch, whilst laboring under delirium tremens, on Thursday last, attempted to cut his throat with a butcher-knife, but happily only succeeded in making a gash without injuring the windpipe.... A number of the citizens of Nanaimo, having discarded every kind of malt and spirituous liquors from their houses, met together on New Year's Day and sat down to a sumptuous temperance dinner. Our Nanaimo correspondent is of opinion that the teetotalers had a better time than the wine-bibbers, and reports having met several of the latter class, the next day, with scratched noses and black eyes.

THE "CORTES."—This steamer arrived quite unexpectedly yesterday morning from San Francisco, bringing 42 passengers and 8 tons of freight. No definite arrangement has been arrived at regarding the future movements of the steamers, but it is expected that the Cortes and Brother Jonathan will both run here for the future, one arriving about every ten days. Such an arrangement would doubtless be profitable to the steamship owners, and would prove highly satisfactory to the business public. The Cortes left Esquimalt for San Francisco, via Portland, at one o'clock yesterday.

FIRE ALARM.—Yesterday, at 4 o'clock, p.m., the chimney of Mr. McDonnell's bakery, on Government street, took fire and caused an alarm. The Deluge and Tiger Companies stretched their hose ready for work, and the truck was also promptly on hand; but their services were fortunately not needed—the flames having been put out of harm's way before the arrival of the firemen.

SLEIGHING.—The first sleigh—drawn by two horses—was out on Yates street last evening. Several persons availed themselves of the rare opportunity to enjoy a sleigh ride, and their shouts, mingled with the merry jingle of the bells, reminded one of old times.

CAPT. NAGLE.—We are pleased to learn that this gentleman, who was injured by a fall from a horse on Thursday last, is rapidly recovering—the fears at first expressed of internal injuries having been sustained, not being verified.

INQUEST.—The coroner's jury summoned by Dr. Dickson to inquire into the cause of the death of "Nevada Bob," who expired suddenly on Sunday last, yesterday returned verdict that deceased died from hemorrhage of the lungs.

GOING UP.—Articles of foreign produce are advancing in price at San Francisco, in anticipation of an additional tariff to be shortly imposed by the United States Government.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.—In consequence of there being but the Speaker and Mr. Ring present yesterday, the House adjourned till to-day at the usual hour.

THE "IONIA."—The bark Ionia, hence with a cargo of coal for San Francisco, arrived at the latter port on the 26th ult. after a passage of 13 days.

AUCTION.—Mr. McCrea will hold a sale of Sandwich Island coffee, blankets, soap, clothing, etc., this morning at salesroom, at 11 o'clock.

JOCKEY CLUB.—The meeting of this club has been postponed till Thursday, at 8 o'clock, when a full attendance is requested.

An obstreperous sailor, belonging to the Prince of the Seas, was yesterday sent to prison for ten days.

"Gry Arion" was won by J. Copland at the raffle last night.

Snow fell to the depth of two inches last evening.

Forty-three prisoners answered to roll call yesterday at the prison.

A despatch from Berne of the 17th Nov. says that there had been a fresh violation of the Swiss territory by the French near Geneva.

Lord Monck was sworn in at Quebec on the 28th of November, as Governor-General of Canada.

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Per steamship CORTES, from San Francisco, Mr and Mrs Rogers, Mr Wing, Mr and Mrs Fellows, Miss Smyth, Mr Langley, Mr Richards and child, Mrs and Miss Trutch, J. M. Buchelder, P. Keith, M. Preg, J. Arregie, C. Strauss, W. Doolay, J. B. McKenney, J. D. Stevens, J. Keal, Mr Botterell, J. Glover, L. Brown, D. Hart, Mr Deight, T. Hendley, A. Sharkey, Mr and Mrs Baker, Mrs Wright, J. B. Clark, J. Vance, Mr Shaffuer, J. S. Werstein, J. McNevin, T. Kosta, T. Kelly, E. Burke, J. H. Hunter, T. Malone, E. C. Dugan.

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Per steamship CORTES, from Portland—J. B. Clark, 26 pgs fruit and eggs; Edgar & Aime, 14 pgs eggs and butter, 16 do apples; H. Smith, 9 carcasses mutton. Value, \$212.

Per schooner POTTER, from Port Townsend 6 tons hay and 9 hogs to master. Value, \$174.

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